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November 1, 2013

Mr. Jason Smathers
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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request
FOIA Control No.: 14-FI-HQ-00099

Dear Mr. Smathers:

This letter acknowledges the Department of Housing and Urban Development's receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated October 21, 2013. Your request was received in the Department's FOIA Branch on October 23, 2013.

Pursuant to the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(6)(A)(i), once HUD properly receives a FOIA request, the Department has 20 working days within which to make a determination on the request unless unusual circumstances exist. Under unusual circumstances, such as an agency's backlog, or the need to examine a voluminous amount of records required by the request, HUD can extend the 20-day time limit for processing a request. Based upon HUD's experience and current inventory, it is estimated that it will take 30 to 45 days to complete processing of your request.

The Department will comply with your request to the extent permissible by law. Any records not subject to an exemption will be forwarded to you promptly upon the completion of HUD's search and review process. Your request has been assigned to Mrs. Sandra J. Wright for processing. If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Mrs. Wright at (202) 402-5510.

Thank you for your interest in the Department's programs and policies.

Sincerely,

FOIA Branch
Office of the Executive Secretariat